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TOPIC 1 - TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION & EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT OVERVIEW

PURPOSE

The purpose of this topic is to provide an overview of the **Travel Authorization** and **Expense Reimbursement** process for the Commonwealth of Kentucky using eMARS. The following types of users are involved in the Travel Authorization and Expense Reimbursement process:

- The traveler is the person who is traveling on behalf of the Commonwealth and is incurring expenses resulting from the trip;
- The approver is the person (usually a manager or supervisor) who approves a trip or expenses for a traveler; and,
- The travel system administrator is the person who maintains the travel system based on the Commonwealth travel regulations. This is a centralized task that the Finance Cabinet, Statewide Accounting Services performs.

EXPECTATIONS

Prerequisites: eMARS 101 Intro to eMARS ("on-line")

CHANGES AND IMPROVEMENTS

- **TE** stands for Travel Encumbrance but the event type that the user selects is a non-encumbering event type.
- Multiple employees <u>can be</u> entered on the same travel authorization or travel reimbursement document
- Mileage distances must be tracked by the employee
- eMARS requires the user to enter an object code in the **Object** field on the **Accounting** line
- eMARS <u>does not</u> require the traveler to enter a specific destination as was required in MARS
- eMARS <u>does not</u> automatically calculate "allowable" per diem reimbursements or indicate whether a travel destination is a "high rate" or "low rate" destination
- In eMARS, mileage is based on your destination, not on the travel policy, as it was in MARS. Select the destination, from the Destination (DEST) table pick list, that defines your mileage reimbursement rate

EMARS IMPLEMENTATION

- When seeking a travel authorization for out-of-state travel, the <u>user must</u> submit a
 TE document.
- The **TE** document is used for both in-state (**IS**) and out-of-state (**OS**) travel.
- For any Travel document, the user <u>does not</u> select specific destinations. For example, the user <u>does not</u> enter a valid destination from Frankfort to Cincinnati.
- When selecting the destination on the TE and TP documents, the user should choose whether the travel is in-state or out-of-state and also select the destination code which has the correct mileage rate assigned to it. For example, ISPOV39 is travel In-state where the current mileage rate is 39 cents per mile. The IS and OS codes are established on the Destination (DSTN) table.
- Expense types in the drop down menu of the Travel document are predefined. The user cannot request or add their own expense type.
- In the TP document under the Document Header, the Purpose of Travel is a
 drop down menu and cannot be edited. If an option does not fit the user's needs,
 they are able to further document the travel need in the Extended Description
 section.

Document Codes

Travel Functionality	eMARS Document
Registration Advance	TE
Travel Authorization (in state and out of state)	TE
Travel Reimbursement	TP
Internal Reimbursement (State Park)	IET
Internal Reimbursement (Motor Pool)	IET

OBJECTIVES

By the completion of this class you will have:

- Reviewed the differences between the MARS system and the eMARS system;
- Set up a Travel Authorization (**TE**)
- Set up a Travel Reimbursement and; (TP)
- Describe the Internal Resource Expense Authorization and Payment process (IET)

TRAVEL CONCEPTS

The eMARS Travel System supports the Travel Authorization and Expense Reimbursement processes for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. These processes include travel policy enforcement, electronic submission and approval of travel documents, and support for per diem calculation and mileage expenses.

Major Concepts In The Travel System:

- **Travel Authorizations:** The user creates these documents to provide estimates to obtain approval for a business-related trip.
- **Travel Payment Vouchers:** The user creates these documents to record the expenses for the trip and to reimburse the traveler by the Commonwealth. Also, Registration Fees are paid from travel payment vouchers.
- **Travel Event Types:** There are two valid event types. **XTR1** is the default on the **TE** document and **TR04** is the default for the **TP** document.
- **Accounting Templates:** Provides easy entry of accounting data. Populates fund and detail accounting elements on documents.
- Object Codes for Travel: Selected Object Codes are available for use on the Travel documents. The VDOCOBJ table will display the selected codes for the TE and TP documents.
- **Travel Destination:** The user should choose an in-state or out-of-state destination with the current mileage rate assigned to it.
- **Internal Resources:** These are organizations within the Commonwealth of Kentucky which provide services to travelers (e.g., State Parks and Motor Pool).
- **eMARS Tables:** The Destination (**DSTN**) table allows the user to choose the In State (**ISPOV40**) or Out of State (**OSPOV40**) codes on travel documents. The Travel Destination Expense (**TDET**) will infer the chosen Travel Destination expense type for in-state or out-of-state travel.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Travelers may request approval for a business-related trip by using the **Travel Authorization (TE)** documents. It is on these documents that the traveler indicates the trip destination(s), trip purpose, trip dates, and if applicable, requests for advance registration fees. The system then records the trip information. Payments for advance registration fees are done by a Copy Forward to a **TP** from the approved **TE**.

Authorization for the use of Commonwealth resources (State Parks or Motor Pool vehicles) is handled outside of the eMARS system. Departments are charged on the **IET** document by Parks or Motor Pool for the expense. The Department's Fiscal Officer will provide the Accounting Template to the traveler.

Only one type of Travel Authorization document is used:

• Travel Authorization (TE): —For all in-state and out-of-state travel; the travel destination defines the approval roles required. All out-of-state travel must be approved on the TE document by the Office of the Controller.

Refer to the "Commonwealth of Kentucky's Administrative Regulation on Travel Expense and Reimbursement (200 KAR 2:006)" to determine if your trip is considered in state, out of state, or out of country and confer with your agency to determine if a Travel Authorization is required for your trip.

TRAVEL PAYMENT VOUCHER

Travelers may request reimbursements for business-related expenses including mileage and per diem reimbursements by using the **Travel Payment Voucher (TP)** documents. On these documents, the traveler indicates the trip destination(s), trip purpose, trip dates, mileage and expenses. The eMARS system does not calculate the per diem reimbursement for the traveler, nor the mileage for reimbursement payments. The **TP** documents may be created without having a related **Travel Authorization (TE)** document. If a **TE** document was created, then the traveler will **COPY FORWARD** to create the **TP** document.

Only one type of Travel Reimbursement document is used:

• Travel Reimbursement – (TP): For all in-state and out-of-state travel.

TRAVEL EVENT TYPES

Event Types are used on the Accounting line to signify what posting codes will be used while bringing in specific rules for data entry concerning reference transactions, customer codes, vendor codes and all defined chart of account elements in the system.

The user can either enter the event type, or it defaults for a document with a stated default event type. The user can select an event type and name combination from the pick list for a particular document event code. The system will never default an event type over one entered by a user. If the data entered is not correct for the event type, error messages will be issued.

There are two valid event types. **XTR1** is the default on the **TE** document and **TR04** is the default for the **TP** document.

ACCOUNTING TEMPLATES

Accounting templates provide the ability to save frequently used chart of accounts data for use in subsequent document creation. These templates are used to populate fund and detail accounting elements on documents.

In order to reduce data entry and minimize errors, departments can establish standard accounting templates of information that can be provided when processing documents. Using these templates, the amount of time it takes to enter new documents is reduced. Templates also make it easier for those unfamiliar with the chart of accounts to process documents.

Basics of the Accounting Templates:

- Accounting templates are invoked when the document is validated
- Any accounting elements that have already been entered on the document are not overlaid with values from the accounting template that is selected. Therefore, accounting templates only default values to blank fields
- After the template is applied, the values that are replaced by the user will be maintained

Each accounting template will be determined by cabinet. The **Accounting Template** field, found in the **Accounting** section, on the **TE** and **TP** document must be populated by the user, and may be selected from a pick list.

TRAVEL OBJECT CODES:

Only selected Object Codes can be used on the **TE** and **TP** documents. The **VDOCOBJ** table will list the valid Object Code available for travel expenses. The most widely used are **E361** for In-State travel expenses, **E362** for Out-of-State Travel and **E363** for Non-State employee travel expenses.

TRAVEL DESTINATION

The travel destination will be In-State (**IS**) or Out-of-State (**OS**). The user will select the destination code which has the correct mileage rate assigned to it for the current period. The **IN** and **OS** codes are established on the Destination (**DSTN**) table.

INTERNAL RESOURCES

Internal resources are organizations within the Commonwealth which provide travel-related services to travelers and who are paid directly for those services. Examples of two internal resources are the State Parks and the Motor Pool. Commonwealth travelers may opt to stay at a State Park or to use a State Motor Pool vehicle when traveling. However, the traveler should follow the policies and procedures as defined by their agencies and the Commonwealth when using these internal resources. The estimated expense for the use of internal resources must be approved prior to taking the trip, because the cost must be directly charged to the traveler's agency (i.e., the Accounting Template must be provided by the Fiscal Officer to the traveler so that it can be relayed to State Parks or Motor Pool).

ADVANTAGE TABLES

- DSTN: To locate the IS and OS codes with associated mileage rates
- TDET: A list of valid expense types, (i.e. mileage reimbursements-you can verify the mileage reimbursement rate)
- VDOCOBJ: List of Commodity Codes available to be used on Travel Documents (TE/TP)

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW

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The traveler is responsible for determining whether a trip is in state or out of state (out of country will be processed as out of state) (as defined by the Commonwealth's Travel Regulations) and for submitting a Travel Authorization for prior approval as required. The user/traveler is also responsible for creating a Travel Payment Voucher to document their expenses. Approval of the Travel Payment Voucher then initiates reimbursement to the traveler. The approvers are responsible for reviewing and approving travel documents. The user can generate registration advances and reimburse travelers after the documents have been approved and are listed in **FINAL** status on the **DOCUMENT CATALOG**.

INTERNAL RESOURCE EXPENSE PAYMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW

Internal resources, as described earlier, are organizations within the Commonwealth that provide travel related services and are directly paid for those services. <u>Two examples</u> are the State Parks and the State Motor Pool.





When reserving a motor pool vehicle or a room at a state park, the traveler provides Motor Pool and State Parks with an "Accounting Template". By entering an Accounting Template, Motor Pool/State Parks can capture where charges are applied. This document (**IET**) is submitted by Motor Pool/State Parks. The traveler's department does not apply an approval to the **IET** document created by Motor Pool/State Parks.

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INCUR TRAVEL EXPENSES

The Traveler needs to attend a four-day training conference. He contacts the State Park and Motor Pool for the availability of a room and a state vehicle. After making a reservation with the State Park and Motor Pool, he completes a **TE** document in eMARS. After the **TE** document is approved by his agency and is listed in FINAL status on the **DOCUMENT CATALOG**, the Traveler will provide the State Park and Motor Pool with the **Accounting Template** for their department.

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF BUSINESS RELATED EXPENSES

After the Traveler has checked out of the State Park and returned the state vehicle, State Parks and Motor Pool will create **IET** documents to transfer funds for the authorized charges. To reimburse the Traveler for his out-of-pocket expenses, he will need to create a **TP** document. The Traveler must submit all of his expenses for reimbursement. The user begins by creating a new **TP** document from the approved **TE** document by doing a **COPY FORWARD**. After all necessary trip information and related expenses have been accounted for, the user submits the **TP** document for approval. The system validates that the trip does not violate any organizational travel policies as defined within the system. After the **TP** document has been properly approved, the system generates the necessary accounting entries and automatically schedules the Traveler's reimbursement. If the traveler's email address is provided in the Vendor Contact Email field, an email will be sent to the employee notifying them of the date and amount of the upcoming **EFT**.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATIONS

In eMARS, a Travel Authorization must be submitted for out-of-state travel. Travel authorizations may also be submitted for in-state travel to record employee-reimbursable expenses and registration advances to vendors. The traveler <u>does not</u> submit a travel authorization document for state parks and motor pool, but the expense can be approved in advance on a **TE** document.

- For the current mileage rate and the listing of high-rate destinations, refer to the Office of the Controller's website to view the following forms (see screen shot on the following page):
 - Mileage Rate
 - o FAP120-17-03
 - Employees Travel Regulation

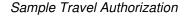
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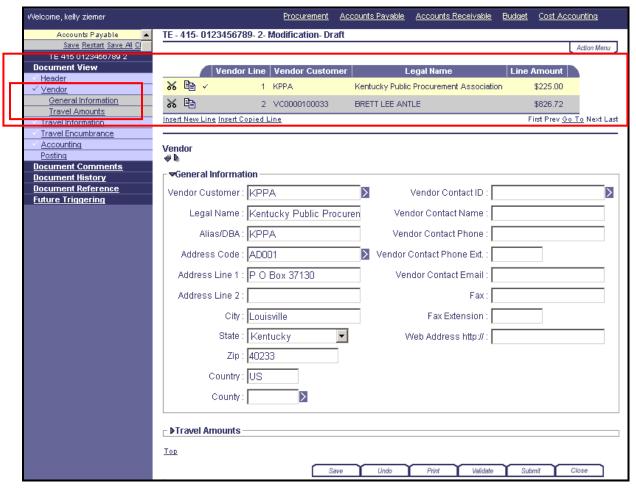
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- With eMARS, it is required that the **TE** document for out-of-state travel be submitted electronically (instead of on paper)
- All out-of-state **TE** documents must be approved by the Office of the Controller before the traveler leaves on the trip
- In order for the document to be approved, the TE document <u>must</u> contain ALL expense types. The purpose of this is to show the TOTAL cost of the trip. The total cost includes expenses for registration advance, employee reimbursement and a Business Travel Account (BTA), which is used when Airfare is purchased
- A "non-accounting" event type (XTR1) is used so funds are not encumbered
- A TE document can be modified, unless a Travel Payment (TP) document has been submitted for each vendor on the TE document

 Travel authorizations with both employee-reimbursable expenses and a registration advance contain at least two vendor lines: one for the employee and the other for the vendor receiving the registration advance

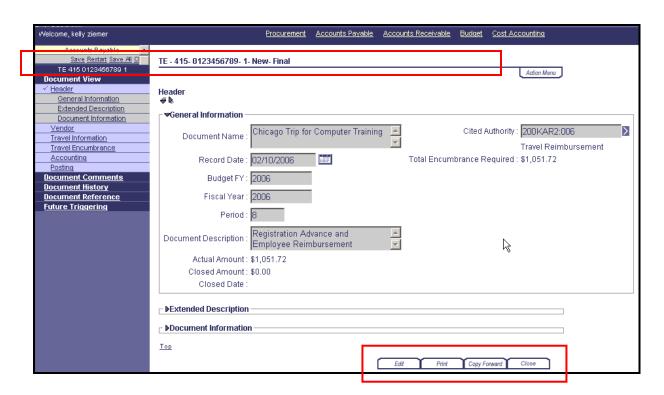




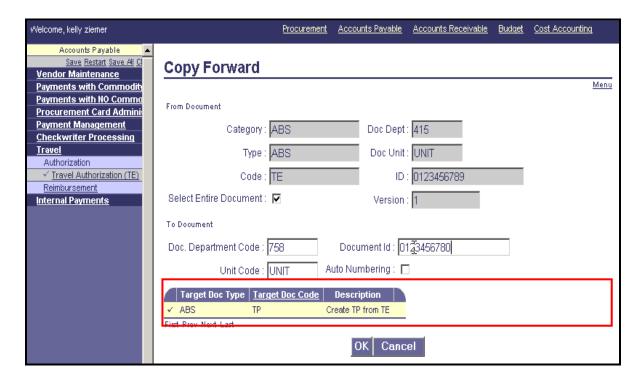
EMPLOYEE REIMBURSEMENTS

Employee reimbursements are processed on the Travel Payment (**TP**) document. This document is required for both in-state and out-of-state travel. eMARS <u>does not</u> automatically calculate "allowable" per diem reimbursements or indicate whether a travel destination is a "high rate" or "low rate" destination as outlined in the Commonwealth's eMARS Travel Policy. The approver needs to review the per diem entered to ensure that they are in compliance with the policies.

- For the current mileage rate and the listing of high-rate destinations, refer to the Office of the Controller's website to view the following forms:
 - Mileage Rate
 - o Fap120-17-03
 - Employees Travel Regulation
- Only a TP must be submitted for in-state travel; a TE is not required for in-state travel
- The TP document in eMARS can be generated by using the Copy Forward feature on the applicable TE final phase document (if an authorization was prepared for the referenced trip)
 - Copy Forward enables the user to copy pertinent information from an existing document into a new document type whose purpose is to reference or liquidate the source document. This function expedites data entry and simplifies document referencing between documents with a large number of lines. Please refer to the eMARS #101 Intro to eMARS "on line" course for an example demonstrating the Copy Forward feature.



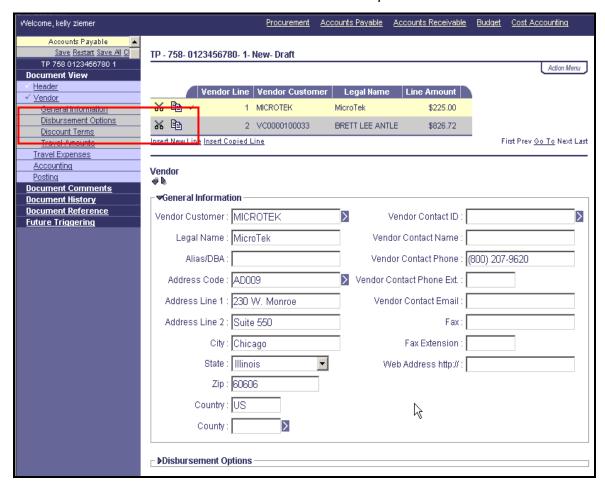
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- A TP can be submitted at two different times, before the travel (i.e. vendor registration advance) and after the travel (employee reimbursement for mileage, meals, etc...)
 - Before Travel
 - If a TP document is created as a standalone document (Not Copy Forward), only one vendor line should be entered for registration advances. The employee vendor line should not be entered.
 - If the TP document was created by using Copy Forward from a previously approved TE, then the employee reimbursement line present on the <u>Vendor</u> line of the TP must be deleted before entering the registration advance information in the <u>Travel Expenses</u> and <u>Accounting</u> subsections
 - After Travel
 - If a registration advance line is present on the <u>Vendor</u> line of the <u>TP</u> (as a result of <u>Copy Forward</u>), then it must be deleted before entering the employee reimbursement information in the <u>Travel Expenses</u> and <u>Accounting</u> sections.
 - If it is a standalone TP, only the employee Vendor line (or lines if more than one employee) needs to be entered.

Create **TP** before travel to be reimbursed for a registration advance (Vendor 1).

Click the Scissors icon to delete the employee (Vendor 2), as you have not yet traveled and incurred the expense



- From a TP, an Automated Disbursement (AD) or an Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) is automatically generated by the system
- A TP document can be modified, unless a check or EFT has been generated for each vendor on the TP document
- If the employee email is provided in the Vendor Contact Email field, an email will be sent to the employee notifying them of the date and amount of the upcoming EFT

INTERNAL BILLINGS

Authorization for the use of Commonwealth resources (State Parks and Motor Pool) is handled outside of eMARS. The IET document is used to transfer the expense from the traveler's department to Motor Pool or Parks.

When reserving a motor pool vehicle or a room at a state park, the traveler will provide an Accounting Template to capture the Accounting classification elements for Motor Pool and State Parks' to charge when they create their Internal Reimbursement document (IET). The Agency Fiscal Officer will provide the Accounting Template to the traveler.

NOTE: The Agency Fiscal Officer is responsible for any errors on the **IET** document; the Agency Fiscal Officer will be notified if errors exist. In this case, you will correct the errors, save the document, and notify State Parks or Motor Pool that the document can then be submitted.

USEFUL INQUIRIES

Access these queries during this session and think about how you can integrate them into your work processes.

Page ID/Name	Suggestions for When to Use
Destination (DSTN) table	When you need to find IS and OS codes
Travel Destination Expense (TDET) table	Refers to a list of valid expense types (i.e. mileage reimbursement—you can verify the current mileage reimbursement rate)
Valid Object Codes for Travel Expenses (VDOCOBJ) table	Lists approved Object Codes to be used on the TE and TP travel documents

APPROVALS & ROUTING

Out-of-state travel authorizations (**TE**) require approval not only from the traveler's agency but also from the Office of the Controller. All approvals for travel reimbursements (**TP**) and in-state travel authorizations (**TE**) reside in each agency. Motor Pool/State Parks approve the **IET** documents.

SUMMARY OF TOPIC

Keys to Success

- When seeking a travel authorization for out-of-state travel, it is required to submit the TE document in the system
- The TE document is optionally used for in-state (IS) and required for out-of-state (OS) travel
- For any Travel document, the user does not select specific destinations
- The destination on the **TE** document represents whether the travel is in-state or out-of-state and also has the correct mileage rate assigned to it
- Access the Office of the Controller's website (http://finance.ky.gove/internal/travel/) to view the Commonwealth's Travel Policies—mileage reimbursement rate, high/low rate destinations and allowable "per diem" meal rates

Travel Documents

- Travel Authorization (TE)—The traveler is <u>required</u> to submit a travel authorization document in the system for out-of-state travel. Travel authorizations may also be submitted for in-state travel to record employee-reimbursable expenses and registration advances to vendors.
- Travel Payment (TP)—This document is used for both in-state and out-of-state travel. A TP can be submitted at two different times, before the travel (i.e. vendor registration advance) and after the travel (employee reimbursement for mileage, meals, etc...).
- Internal Reimbursement (IET)—Used when reserving a motor pool vehicle or a room at a state park, the traveler provides Motor Pool and State Parks with an "Accounting Template". By entering an Accounting Template, Motor Pool/State Parks can capture where charges are applied. This document is submitted by Motor Pool/State Parks.



In this topic, we have discussed:

- The major concepts in eMARS Travel: Travel Authorization; Travel Payment Voucher; Travel Event Types; Travel Object Codes; Destination Codes; Internal Resources; and Travel Tables and;
- The Travel Authorization and Expense Reimbursement process and;



Are there any questions concerning the information covered in this topic?

TOPIC 2 - TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENTS (TE)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this topic is to describe the **Travel Authorization (TE)** document in eMARS and provide hands on experience working with the document. During this topic, we will walk through the creation and submission of a **TE** document with multiple vendors and view select tables that infer information into the fields on the **TE** document. The **TE** document is used to authorize In-State and Out-Of-State travel for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Out-of-State travel must be authorized by the Office of the Controller before the travel takes place.

OBJECTIVES

By the completion of this topic you will be able to:

- Describe the **TE** document
- Create and process a TE document
- Name the tables that users pull information from in the creation and processing of a Travel Authorization document

WHEN TO PROCESS A TE DOCUMENT

- 1. Need Prior Approval for travel (Required for Out-of-State travel)
- 2. Advance Registration Fee

NOTE:

A traveler can be either a state employee or non-employee traveling on behalf of the Commonwealth. Travelers can complete and submit **TE** documents electronically using eMARS. It is the user's/traveler's department responsibility to initiate the Travel Authorization process per the travel policy governing the travel. Once the **TE** document is submitted, edited for compliance with travel policies, and approved and run by the staff, it will be in FINAL status in eMARS. If any Registration Fees were requested, the user/traveler will create the **TP** by doing a **COPY FORWARD** from the **TE** to pay the vendor. In order to pay the vendor for the registration fee, a separate vendor line must be included on the **TE** for the company/organization providing the training.



SCENARIO

TE Document – The traveler is going to attend a training course in Nashville, TN. He will use his own vehicle and have mileage expense, meals expense and lodging. There is a registration fee of \$250.00 to be paid to the vendor.

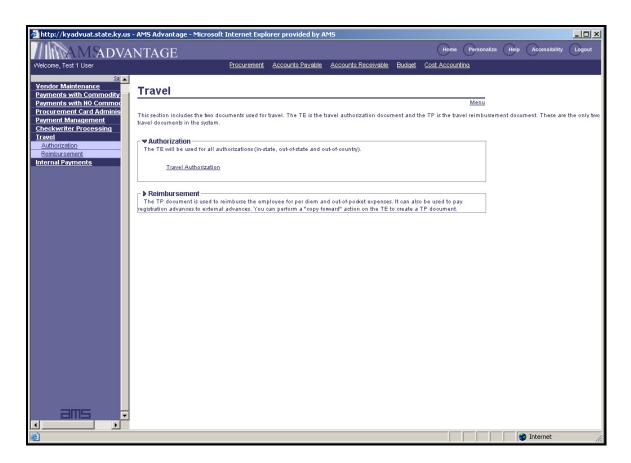
Trip Itinerary	Trip Expenses
Leave Frankfort 4:30 p.m. Day 1	Per Diem: \$91.00
Arrives in Nashville 8:30 p.m. Day 1	Lodging: \$125.00 per night x 2
Leaves Nashville 5:30 p.m. Day 3	420 POV @ \$.43: 180.60
Arrives in Frankfort 9:30 p.m. Day 3	Registration Fee: \$250.00

This **TE** will have 2 vendor lines so two payments can be initiated at two different times, before and after the travel. Multiple travelers can be authorized and paid on the same **TE** document provided separate traveler/vendor lines are set up for each traveler.

Task

Enter a new Travel Authorization (**TE**) document to authorize the travel expenses.

- 1. In the Primary Navigation panel, click Accounts Payable.
- **2.** In the Secondary Navigation panel, **click Travel**. Several options open.
- 3. Click on Travel Authorization (TE).



4. Click on the **Create** at the top of the page and **enter the following information**:

Required Fields	Values
Dept	See your Student Card
Document	TE
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Select this option

Note: Write down the Document ID that is generated from auto numbering. You will need it in Exercise 2, Step 2.

Select **Create** again to generate your new **TE** document. The document opens on the Header section.

5. Expand the General Information section and enter the following data.

Required Fields	Values
Document Name	Travel Request for Training in Nashville, TN
Cited Authority	Click the Pick List and select
	Travel Reimbursement

1st Vendor for Registration Advance

6. Click on the <u>Vendor</u> section in the Secondary Navigation Panel. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data in the **General Information** section:

Vendor Customer	Click the Pick List. Enter the vendor name (MicroTek) in the Legal Name field and click Browse. Select MicroTek, Vendor 1 on your Student Card .
Address Code	Click the Pick List and Select the appropriate address or click Validate to infer the default address.

NOTE: eMARS infers the remaining Vendor specific data in the Vendor tab once the <u>Travel Information</u>, <u>Travel Encumbrance</u> and <u>Accounting</u> information is complete and the <u>Validate</u> function is selected. Realize that the <u>Travel Information</u>, <u>Travel Encumbrance</u> and <u>Accounting</u> sections are subsets of each <u>Vendor</u>.

7. Click on <u>Travel Information</u> in the Secondary Navigation Panel. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Travel Start Date	One Week ago
Travel End Date	5 days ago
Purpose of Travel	Select from the Drop Down menu Training
Destination	Click the Pick List and Select OS-POV43 for Out of State travel
Mode of Transportation	Select from the Drop Down menu Personal Car

- 8. Click the Copy Line icon to the left of the <u>Travel Information</u> line. This will be used later in step 12.
- 9. Click on <u>Travel Encumbrance</u>. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Date	Today's date
Travel Expense Type	Select from the Drop Down menu Registration
Document Description	Traveler's Name and Phone Number
	Computer course in Nashville, TN
Estimated Expense	250.00 (the amount of the registration fee)

10. Click on <u>Accounting</u> in the Secondary Navigation Panel. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Accounting Template	See Student Card
Line Amount	250.00 (the amount of the registration fee)

11. In the Fund Accounting section, Enter E362 in the Object field.

2nd Vendor for Employee Reimbursement

12. Go to the <u>Vendor</u> section in the Secondary Navigation panel, click <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data in the **General Information** section:

Vendor Customer	See Student Card. Use Employee/Traveler Kentucky A Traveler on the Student Card
Address Code	Click the Pick List and Select Address Code

- **13.** Click **Save** at the bottom of the screen. See the Vendor information populate.
- **14.** Click on <u>Travel Information.</u> Click on <u>Insert Copied Line to insert the line copied in Step 7.</u>

15. Click on <u>Travel Encumbrance.</u> Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following Mileage data:

Required Fields	Values
Date	5 days ago (same as Travel End date in step 6)
Travel Expense Type	Select from the Drop Down menu Transportation
Description	Mileage from Frankfort to Nashville, roundtrip (420 miles X \$.43 = 180.60)
Estimated Expense	180.60

To enter multiple employee reimbursements:

16. Click on **Insert New Line**. Enter the following Lodging data:

Required Fields	Values
Date	5 days ago (same as Travel End date in step 6)
Travel Expense Type	Select from the Drop Down menu Lodging
Description	2 nights @ \$125 per night
Estimated Expense	250.00

17. Click on **Insert New Line**. Enter the following Meal data:

If the traveler is being reimbursed for a dinner meal and did not have overnight lodging, that dinner is W2 REPORTABLE.

Required Fields	Values	
Date	5 days ago (same as Travel End date in step 6)	
Travel Expense Type	Select from the Drop Down menu Meal Total	
Description	7 meals, high rate destination in Nashville, TN	
	(2 x \$8, 2 x \$9, 3 x \$19)	
Estimated Expense	91.00	

NOTE: You will have to refer to the Office of the Controller's website to decide if Nashville is a high or low rate destination and the per diem allowances for meals. For this example, breakfast is \$8, lunch is \$9 and dinner is \$19. (Average per diem is \$7 for breakfast, \$8 for lunch and \$15 for dinner)

18. Click on <u>Accounting</u> in the Secondary Navigation Panel. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Accounting Template	See Student Card
Line Amount	521.60 (\$180.60 + \$250 + \$91)

- 19. In the Fund Accounting section, Enter E362 in the Object field.
- 20. Select Save.
- 21. Select Validate.
- 22. Correct any errors, and select Validate again.

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TOPIC 3 - TRAVEL PAYMENT VOUCHER (TP) VIA COPY FORWARD FROM A TE

PURPOSE

The purpose of this topic is to provide hands-on experience in submitting travel related expense information and requesting reimbursement for these expenses. Also, you will have the opportunity to prepare a **Travel Payment Voucher (TP)** document using the COPY FORWARD feature from an approved **Travel Authorization (TE)**.

OBJECTIVES

By the completion of this topic, you will be able to:

Describe the TRAVEL PAYMENT VOUCHER process via COPY FORWARD

Process the **TP** document and

TRAVEL PAYMENT VOUCHER FROM A TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

For all Out-of-State or Out-of-Country travel, a **TE** document will be required prior to traveling in order to request authorization for the trip. In these situations, the **COPY FORWARD** must be used to create the **TP** Document. This procedure will eliminate redundant data entry work and ensures the expenses on the **TE** documents are properly accounted for on the **TP** Document.



SCENARIO

This is a two part Scenario. We will use the same **TE** used in the previous topic.

<u>1st Part:</u> Before attending the conference, you would like to pay the vendor for your registration fee of \$250 for the computer training course. Create a **TP** document by using **Copy Forward** (from the **TE**) and **Validate** it.

<u>2nd Part:</u> After attending the conference, you would like to be reimbursed for lodging (\$245), meals (\$91) and mileage (205 miles each way). These are the actual expense amounts and differ from the amounts estimated on the TE. Create another **TP** document by using **Copy Forward** (from the **TE**) and **Validate** it.

TASK

Enter a new Travel Payment (**TP**) document to pay the vendor for your registration fee. **Before Travel, locate the Travel Authorization in FINAL status on the Document Catalog.**

- 1. Click **Home**. Click **Search**. Click **Document Catalog**. Search by the information below.
- 2. Click on **Browse** at the top of the page and enter the following information:

Required Fields	Values
Dept	See Student Card
Document	TE
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Enter the Document ID that you wrote down in Exercise 1, Step 2

- 3. The document opens on the <u>Header</u> section. Click **Copy Forward** at the bottom of the screen.
- 4. The **Copy Forward** page will open. Enter the following information:

Required Fields	Values
Doc Department Code	See Student Card
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Check this box

- 5. Select the line with the **TP** option. Click **OK**.
- 6. The document opens on the <u>Header</u> section. Select **General Information** section and enter the following data.

Required Fields	Values
Document Name	OPTIONAL - Automatically defaults from the TE
Document Description	Automatically defaults from the TE
Cited Authority	Automatically defaults from the TE
Type of Payment	Select from the Drop Down menu Travel Expense
Purpose of Travel	Select from the Drop Down menu Training
Travel Departure Date	One week ago

Travel Departure Time	16:00
Travel Return Date	5 days ago
Travel Return Time	18:00

NOTE: Military time is used when you have to enter a time.

7. Click on the <u>Vendor</u> section. All vendors from the original **TE** document will be present. Delete Kentucky A Traveler by clicking the scissors icon to the left of the line (because you are paying Vendor line1 only). Click **OK**. NOTE: This only removes the Vendor line from the **TP** document, not the original **TE** document.

8. Click on <u>Travel Expenses.</u> Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	Last day of Travel
Destination	Click the Pick List and Select OS-POV43
Actual Registration	250.00

- 9. Click <u>Accounting.</u> The data is automatically populated. The accounting was carried over from the **TE**. Verify that the accounting information on the **TE** is the same for the **TP**.
- 10. Click **Save**. Click **Validate**. Correct any errors and validate again.
- 11. Click Submit.
- 12. Click Close to exit the document.

NOTE: After the Traveler has returned, submitted his/her receipts and has requested reimbursement, locate the Travel Authorization in FINAL status on the Document Catalog.

- 13. Click Home.
- 14. Click Search.
- 15. Click **Document Catalog**. Search by the information below.

16. Enter the information below to locate the approved Travel Authorization: Click **Browse**.

Required Fields	Values
Dept	See Student Card
Document	TE
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Enter the Document ID that you wrote down in Topic 1

- 17. The document opens on the **Header** section. Click **Copy Forward.**
- 18. The **Copy Forward** page will open. Enter the following information:

Required Fields	Values
Doc Department Code	See Student Card
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Check this box

- 19. Select the line with the **TP** option. Click **OK**.
- 20. The document opens on the <u>Header</u> section. Select **General Information** section and enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Document Name	OPTIONAL - Automatically defaults from the TE
Document Description	Automatically defaults from the TE
Cited Authority	Automatically defaults from the TE
Type of Payment	Select from the Drop Down menu Travel Expense
Purpose of Travel	Select from the Drop Down menu Training
Travel Departure Date	One week ago
Travel Departure Time	16:30
Travel Return Date	5 days ago
Travel Return Time	21:30

NOTE: Military time is used when you have to enter a time.

- 21. Click on the <u>Vendor</u> section in the Secondary Navigation Panel. All vendors from the original **TE** document will be present. Delete the first vendor line (MicroTek) by clicking the scissors icon to the left of the line (delete the first Vendor line because we are only paying the second Vendor, the employee). Click **OK**.
- 22. Click on <u>Travel Expenses.</u> Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following Lodging data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	Last day of Travel
Destination	Click the Pick List and Select OS-POV43
Actual Lodging	245.00 (Est. Expense was \$5.00 lower than TE)

23. Click on **Insert New Line**. Enter the following Meal data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	Last day of Travel
Destination	Click the Pick List and Select OS-POV43
Breakfast	16.00 (\$8 x 2)
Lunch	18.00 (\$9 x 2)
Dinner	57.00 (\$19 x 3)

24. Click on Insert New Line. Enter the following Mileage data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	Last day of Travel
Destination	Click the Pick List and Select OS-POV43
Miles	410 Miles (205 miles x 2 for round trip x \$.43= \$176.30) 10 miles less than TE

25. Click <u>Accounting.</u> Notice the **Event Type, Accounting Template, Line Amount, Reference** section and **Fund Accounting** section have been automatically populated from the TE document when you did the **Copy Forward**.

Required Fields	Values
Line Amount	512.30 (Lower than TE amount)

- 24. Select Save.
- 25. Select Validate.
- 26. Correct any errors, and select Validate again.
- 27. Select **Submit**. The document will be submitted into Workflow for approval(s). Congratulations! You have created a Travel Payment (**TP**) document.
- 28. Click Close to exit the document.

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In this topic, we have discussed:

Processing a new **TP** Document

The tables affected by the creation and processing of **TP** Document transactions



Are there any questions concerning the information covered in this topic?

TOPIC 4 - TRAVEL PAYMENTS VOUCHER (TP)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this topic is to describe the **Travel Payment (TP)** document in eMARS and provide hands on experience working with the document. During this topic, we will walk through the creation and submission of a **TP** document for a traveler. The **TP** document is used to reimburse travelers for In-State and Out-Of-State travel expenses incurred while traveling for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Out-of-State travel must have been previously authorized by the Office of the Controller before the travel took place on a Travel Authorization (**TE**).

OBJECTIVES

By the completion of this topic you will be able to:

- Describe the **TP** document
- Create and process a TP document

WHEN TO PROCESS A TP DOCUMENT

- 1. Traveler has returned from their trip.
- 2. Traveler has submitted forms/receipts for reimbursable expenses

NOTE: A traveler can be either a state employee or non-employee traveling on behalf of the Commonwealth.



SCENARIO

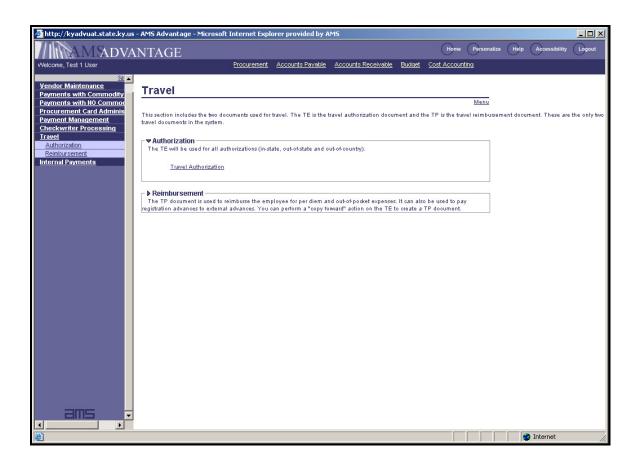
TP Document – The traveler has returned from site visits in Bowling Green, KY and Elizabethtown, KY. He used a state vehicle, has meal expenses and lodging for 1 night.

Trip Itinerary	Trip Expenses
Leave Frankfort 8:00 a.m. Day 1	Per Diem: \$38.00
Arrives in Bowling Green 10a.m. Day 1	Lodging: \$100.00 per night
Leaves Bowling Green 12:00 p.m. Day 2	Used Motor Pool Vehicle
Arrives in Elizabethtown 1:00 p.m. Day 2	
Leaves E-Town 4:00 p.m. Day 2	
Arrives in Frankfort 5:00 Day 2	

TASK

Enter a new Travel Payment (TP) document to reimburse the traveler for eligible expenses..

- 1. In the Primary Navigation panel, Click Accounts Payable.
- 2. In the Secondary Navigation panel, Click Travel. Several options open.
- 3. Click on Travel Reimbursement (TP).



4. Click on the **Create** at the top of the page and **enter the following information**:

Required Fields	Values
Dept	See your Student Card
Document	TP
Unit	UNIT
Auto number	Select this option

- **5.** Click on **Create** to generate your new TP document. The document opens on the **Header** section.
- **6.** Expand the **General Information** section and **enter the following data**.

Required Fields	Values
Document Name	OPTIONAL – Site Visits
Document Description	Site Visits
Cited Authority	Select Travel Reimbursement

Type of Payment	Select from the Drop Down menu Travel Expense
Purpose of Travel	Select from the Drop Down menu Field Visits
Travel Departure Date	10 days ago
Travel Departure Time	08:00
Travel Return Date	9 days ago
Travel Return Time	17:00

- 7. Click on the **Vendor** section in the Secondary Navigation Screen.
- **8.** Click **Insert New Line**. Enter the following data in the **General Information** section:

Vendor Customer	Choose Kentucky A Traveler from the Pick List or use LTS0024 from your Student Card.
Address Code	Click the Pick List and Select the appropriate address or click Validate to infer the default address.

NOTE: eMARS infers the remaining Vendor specific data in the Vendor tab once the <u>Travel Information</u>, <u>Travel Encumbrance</u> and <u>Accounting</u> information is complete and the <u>Validate</u> function is selected. Realize that the <u>Travel Information</u>, <u>Travel Encumbrance</u> and <u>Accounting</u> sections are subsets of each <u>Vendor</u>.

- **9.** Click on <u>Travel Expenses</u> in the Secondary Navigation Screen.
- **10.** Click on **Insert New Line**. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	9 days ago
Destination	Choose IS-POV43
Meal Expense	Breakfast 7.00, Lunch 16.00, Dinner 15.00

11. Click on <u>Travel Expenses</u>. Click on <u>Insert New Line</u>. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Record Date	9 days ago
Destination	Choose IS-POV43
Actual Lodging	\$100.00

12. Click on **Travel Expenses.** Click on **Insert New Line**. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values		
Record Date	9 days ago		
Destination	Choose IS-POV43		
Other Transportation	48.00		
Other Expenses Description	Motor Pool (To be paid by IET)		
	NOTE: if you put information in the Other Transportation or Other Expenses fields, then you must enter a description in the Other Expenses Description field)		

NOTE: We are recognizing all of the expenses associated with the trip on the Travel Expense Lines, HOWEVER, we will only reimburse the traveler for his/her out of pocket expenses by the amount we enter on the Accounting Section of the TP.

13. Click on **Accounting.** Click **Insert New Line**. Enter the following data:

Required Fields	Values
Accounting Template	See Student Card
Line Amount	\$138.00 (Total of the 2 expense lines)

14. In the **Fund Accounting** section. Enter **E361** in the **Object** field.

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